

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA
COLUMBUS DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

HOWATDRICK JONES

Case No.: 4:22-CR-00012-CDL-MSH

ORDER

Defendant was indicted on May 10, 2022, ECF. 1, and arraigned on August 24, 2023, ECF. 13. A Pretrial Conference is currently scheduled for September 28, 2023. Defendant requests a continuance and the government does not oppose. Specifically, Defendant will need time to review discovery and discuss the government's case in chief.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the above-referenced matter be continued to next term of Court set for March 2024 term, and that the Speedy Trial deadline for the trial in this matter imposed by 18 U.S.C. § 3161(c)(1) be extended to that time. The Court finds that the ends of justice served by granting of this continuance outweigh the best interests of the public and the Defendants in a speedy trial because a failure to grant such continuance could result in a miscarriage of justice and would deny counselors for the Defendants and Government the reasonable time necessary for effective preparation. 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161(h)(7)(A)-(B). The delay occasioned by this continuance shall not be considered in calculating the speedy trial deadline under the Speedy Trial Act.

SO ORDERED, this 29th day of August, 2023.

S/Clay D. Land

Clay D. Land, U.S. District Judge